IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Compatibility

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action 26 November 2009, please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION – none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS - are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS – none.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS – begin on page 6.